

Retiring faculty

Milton Brietzke and George Volmert have announced that this year will be their last.

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An increasing number of women are now considering having their babies at home.

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Despite a loss in the district tournament, Pat Lipira is satisfied with her team's effort.

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College hit by vandals

Investigators 'have an idea' about identity

Excessive damage by vandals was discovered at Missouri Southern Tuesday morning.

A change machine located in the Lions' Den was completely destroyed, while video games and a cigarette machine sustained major damage. Vending machines in Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium and Taylor Hall were also damaged.

According to Wayne Johnston, director of security and safety, the Billingsly Student Center was broken into between 2:30 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. Tuesday. There were no signs of forcible entry. The building had been checked by a security officer about 2 a.m.

"Under normal circumstances, a complete check of every building is made every afternoon," Johnston said. "The men on duty after midnight make two complete checks every night. We know when the checks have been made because we have computer checkpoints, and we check the computer readouts."

Johnston said vandalism at Southern is "a rare thing."

"It has been primarily this semester that this has happened," said Johnston. "The vandal is getting bigger and braver."

Other incidents have occurred this semester, including the theft of approximately \$200 worth of food from the snack bar in the Lions' Den three weeks ago. The iron gate used to close off the snack bar was heavily damaged.

Although a cash amount lost from the change machine in the latest burglary was not disclosed, the loss in damage was high.

"There has been at least one machine damaged every week this semester," said Skip McBride, owner and operator of Coin-Op, Inc. "This is the second time the change machine has been broken into. There is over \$3,000 in damage just to the machines."

McBride does not plan to replace the change machine.

"I can't afford to lose that much money on a regular basis," he said.

Investigating officers obtained fingerprints from the inside of the change machine. A crowbar or other instrument was used to break into the machine.

"We got some good fingerprints, and have some good leads going (on the burglar's identity)," Johnston said. "The fingerprints from this burglary match fingerprints from the last incident."

According to Doug Carnahan, assistant to the new president for student affairs, security will be tightened as a result of the burglaries.

"We are trying to find ways to secure the lower floor," Carnahan said. "Rekeying was already scheduled."

Johnston said there is a possibility of installing an alarm system in the BSC.

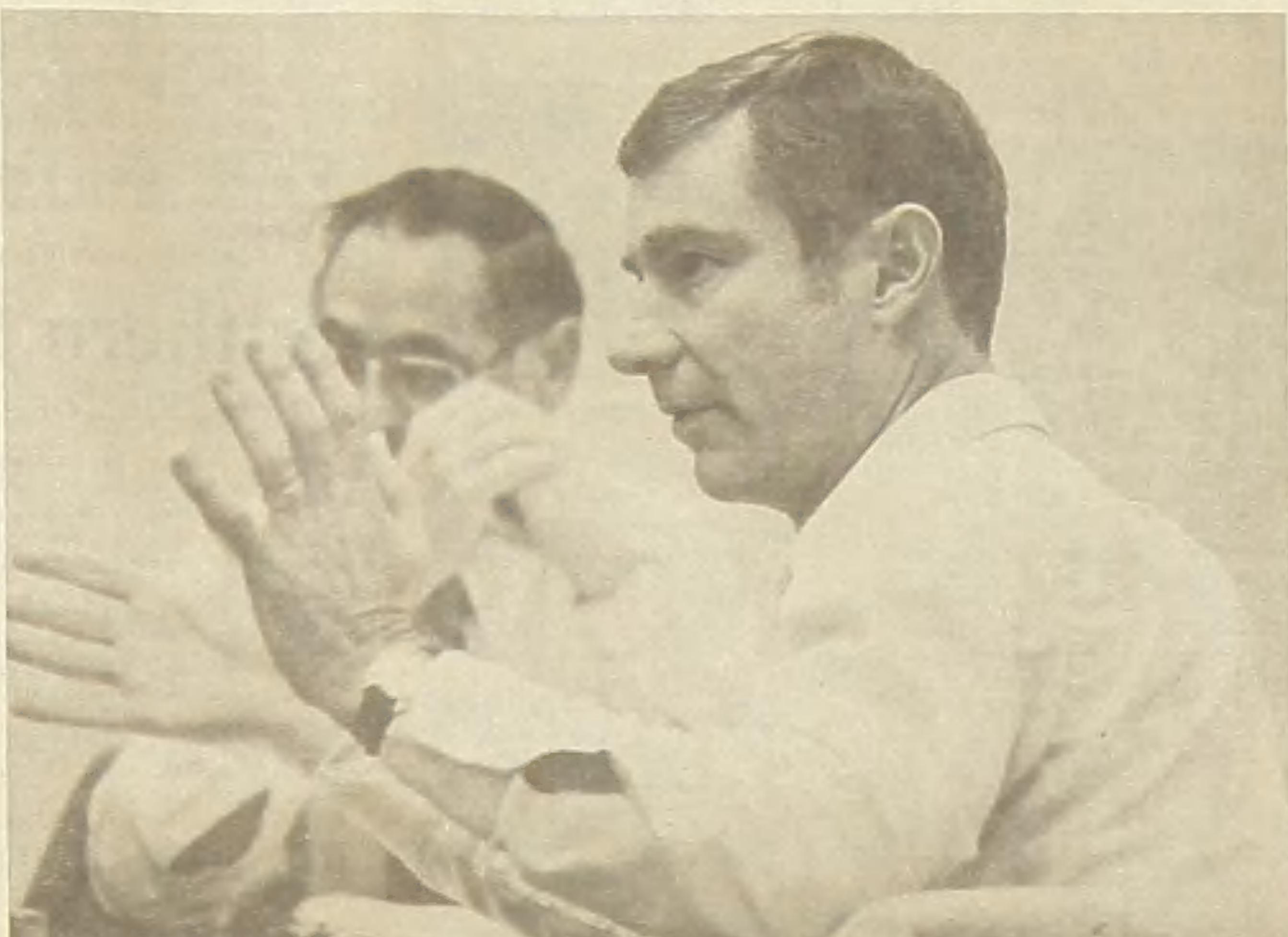
"We have to see if it is feasible and worth the cost," Johnston said. "There are a lot of ways to handle it."

Losses from the vandalism affect Missouri Southern as well as the owner of the machines. Student services receives a percentage of the profit from video games and vending machines on campus. The money goes into a general fund to support the operation of the building. Continued losses from vandalism could affect services provided for students.

"Student services receives no state funds for support," said Carnahan. "Billingsly Student Center and the residence halls are considered auxiliary services and must be self-sustaining. Student services is partly supported by the money from the pool tables, juke box, video machines, and the pop and cigarette machines."

Carnahan said the machines and pool tables bring in approximately \$800 per week, but at times when high school students or special groups are on campus, the amount "goes way up."

Johnston said investigators "have an idea" about the burglar's identity, and expect an arrest to be made soon.



Higher standards

Dr. Larry Martin, head of the mathematics department, argues for a 3.75 grade point average for honors students at Monday's Faculty Senate meeting. (Chart photo by JoAnn Hollis)

Senate votes to raise honor standards

Discussion of a proposal to raise standards for honors graduates dominated Monday's meeting of Missouri Southern's Faculty Senate.

The Academic Policies Committee recommended the Senate approve action to raise the required grade point average for honors at Southern from 3.5 to 3.75. According to Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs, the possibility of grade inflation at Southern entered into committed discussion, but was not the

reason for raising standards.

"It (grade inflation) was a peripheral issue," said Belk. "The purpose in raising standards is to really honor exceptional students. We are watering down the honor by honoring 20 per cent of the graduating class. Raising standards would truly honor exceptional students."

Last year, 30 students graduated with honors. With the suggested standards, only 35 would have graduated with honors. The percentage of students graduating

with honors has been 19 per cent for the last three years.

Larry Martin, head of the mathematics department, suggested the Senate consider using a 3.75 GPA for honors.

"Honors is to recognize the persons who have distinguished themselves from the rest of the class," Martin said. "The 3.75 is a way to do that, and it is in accordance

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Legislator commends CBHE

Wilson speaks out against student fee increases

Plans to recommend appropriations of \$10,754,550 for Missouri Southern's 1988 fiscal year budget were approved last week by Missouri's Coordinating Board for Higher Education.

The proposed recommendation reflects an approximate budget increase of 9 per cent over last year's budget.

Sen. Roger Wilson, author of the Missouri Excellence in Education Act, addressed last Friday's meeting of the CBHE. Wilson commended the CBHE for its work.

"The CBHE is on the right track," said Wilson. "It's working. CBHE's reputation and respect has grown immensely with the legislature."

Wilson commented on student fee increases in the state and CBHE commissioner Shaila Aery's effort to keep fees down.

"Student fee increases are eliminating opportunity for education in the state," Wilson said. "I don't like it. Education is one of the great equalizing factors in this country. Commissioner Aery's effort to hold down fees will never be front-line. It is not appreciated even by students."

Funding in the amount of \$134,500 for Missouri Southern's Outcomes Assessment Program is included in the budget recommendation as part of a targeted investment plan for state colleges and universities.

Targeted state investments include instructional or research programs developed by institutions which are directly related to the mission of the individual colleges and the interest of the state. The programs include manpower, research, library, and chairs of excellence. Approval of targeted investments was contingent upon approval of institutional plans for five Missouri colleges and universities being accepted by Dec. 1.

Recommendations for 1988 were passed which will give Lincoln University extra funds to hire a financial consultant in the hope of reducing administrative costs at the institution by \$1 million.

"It doesn't sit well to ask for support dollars for an institution with troubles like Lincoln's," Aery said. "We are recommending \$250,000 for management consultants, which will either help it survive or close it. I think it is worth it. The institution serves a purpose, and I don't think the state wants to close it."

Possible plans to require a study of extension services at the University of Missouri were also discussed by CBHE members to find duplication of services in the program. Funding was recommended at the planned level, although members of the Board suggested the priorities of the program should be examined to determine what programs are in demand and can be justified as viable.

The CBHE also made recommendations on student transfer policies. Guidelines presented are intended to promote and facilitate the transfer of students between colleges and universities and help to prevent loss of class credit.

Recommendations include:

■ A definition of the baccalaureate program.

■ Standardized general education requirements, including total number of credit hours and subject matter distribution.

■ A definition of associate of arts, associate of science, and associate of applied sciences degrees.

■ Transfer of associate of arts graduates in junior standing.

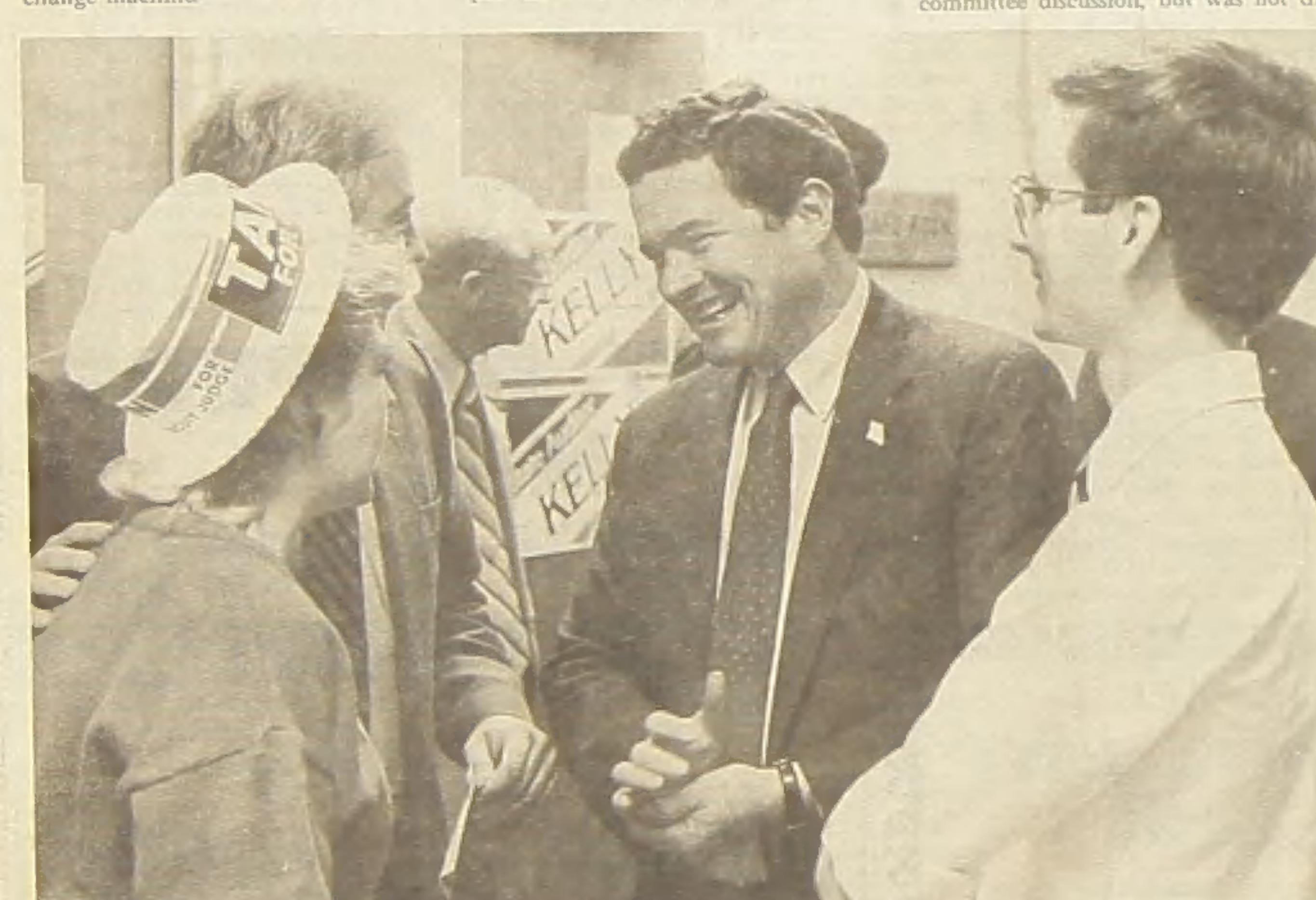
■ Requirements of information to be included in institutional catalogs.

■ Transfer of grades and credit by examination and experiential learning.

■ Establishment of a standing committee to monitor transfer practices and make ongoing recommendations.

■ Establishment of an appeals committee to hear and recommend resolution of student appeals from institutional transfer decisions.

Southern President Julio Leon said the guidelines "will be very helpful" in determining credit for transfer students.



Missouri's
new senator

Christopher Bond, who won a U.S. Senate seat Tuesday with a close victory over Harriett Woods, spoke at a Republican rally last Friday on campus. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

SMSU plan causes 'considerable concern'

Southwest Missouri State University's institutional plan was cause for concern at the Coordinating Board for Higher Education meeting held last Thursday and Friday in Columbia.

According to the CBHE, institutional plans are described as "plans identifying institutional priorities and the means of achieving those priorities."

In December 1984, The CBHE requested all of Missouri's public four-year institutions to submit such a plan. The plans were to be submitted by September

1985.

The commissioner of the Board, Shaila Aery, requested the plans contain information concerning role and scope of the institution; the functional emphasis of it; student mix; external factors affecting the institution; and how the institution would achieve its priorities.

Some of the institutions met the deadline; whereas, others did not. Missouri Southern's plan was accepted by the Board in February 1986 — were four others.

SMSU is one of the institutions that did not have its plan accepted.

The CBHE decided the plan was one "which supports maintaining the status quo rather than qualitative growth" of the institution.

"This is cause for considerable concern," said Henry Clapper, chairman of the Board. "While the plan is appropriate and acceptable, the main concern is that

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Supporters and protesters alike gathered to hear senatorial candidate Harriett Woods at the Joplin Airport on Friday. Lt. Gov. Woods was defeated in her bid for the Senate seat by former Governor Christopher Bond. (Chart photos by Sean Vanslyke)

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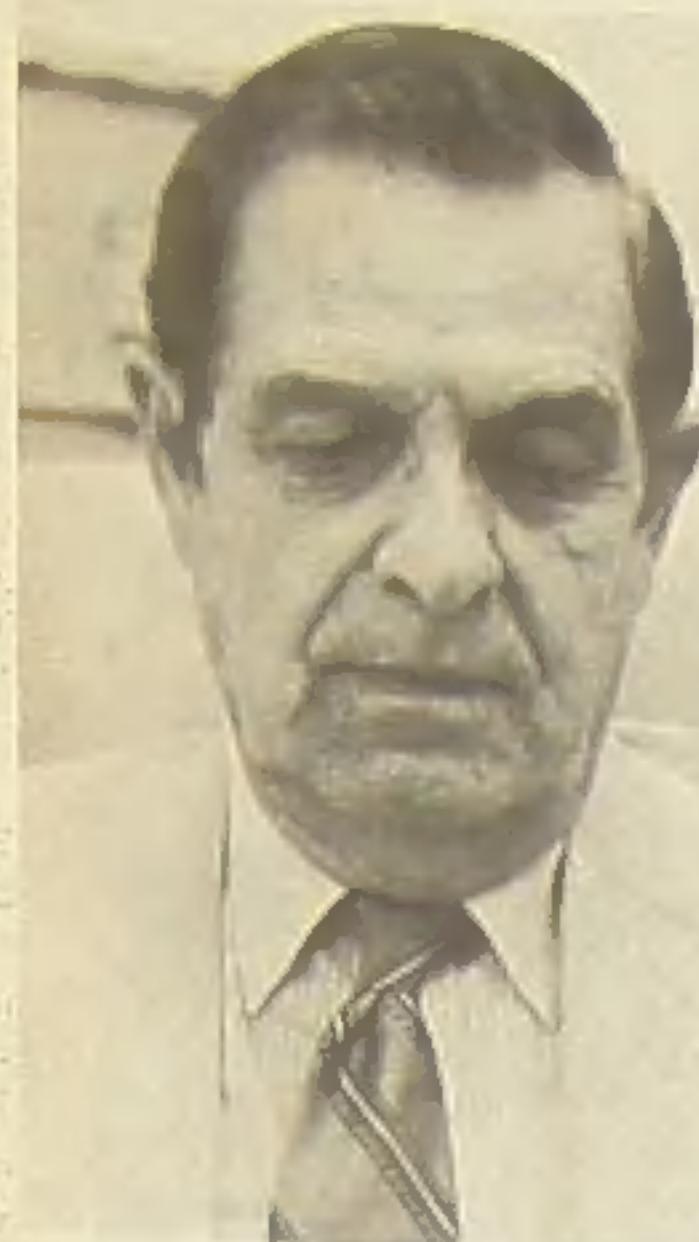
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George H. Volmert, registrar, plans to retire at the end of the spring semester. He has served as registrar for the College since 1966.

Volmert has many experiences at Southern

By Rob Smith
Campus Editor

During his 21-year stint at Missouri Southern, George Volmert has experienced many things at the College.

"I don't know what else could happen," said Volmert, registrar. "All I know is I've seen it, heard it, and been involved in it as far as students are concerned."

Volmert, who will retire at the end of the spring semester, has seen great changes occur in the way students are enrolled into the College.

"We started out with a bare minimum of data processing equipment," he said. "Most of the registering was done by hand."

"At that time, you couldn't find out if a class was closed. If you came in to enroll, you had to fill out a permit to enroll. We took the cards to data processing and they would do the cards that even-

ing."

Volmert said the College was never sure what to expect during enrollment times.

"Those were days of uncertainty as enrollment was concerned," he said. "We tallied classes on a board. You can imagine how long that took."

Volmert has also spent time doing some counseling in Joplin schools.

"Roi S. Wood (superintendent of schools) made me a real good deal to take the job as guidance counselor in the high school," Volmert said. "I did testing for five different schools actually."

Volmert worked with students attending Joplin Junior College, Joplin Senior High School, Lincoln High School, East Junior High School, South Junior High School, and North Junior High School.

"I stayed as a counselor until 1966," he said. "That's when I came here."

Volmert graduated from Tuscumbia (Mo.) High School in 1940. He attended Kirksville (Mo.) State Teacher's College,

but his education was interrupted by World War II.

"I was actually in three branches of the military: the Air Force, the Air Transport Command, and then the infantry," he said.

Volmert landed in La Harve, France, on VE (Victory in Europe) Day and spent time serving as a translator.

"It took us two weeks to go from New York to La Harve," he said. "Our convoy included 40 ships and six battlewagons. A convoy was tremendously slow."

The convoy spent the last night before landing in France anchored off South Hampton, England. The trip across the English Channel was a rough one for Volmert.

"They practically stack you up like corkwood," he said. "They threw ash cans (depth charges) all night. I don't know how many, but it was enough to keep you awake all night."

After landing in La Harve, Volmert and

his unit traveled to Vilseck, Germany.

"While I was there I was an interpreter," he said.

Volmert also spent time in Pilsen, Czechoslovakia.

"We were never assigned," he said. "All together, we were over there 45 days."

Volmert was discharged from the military in 1946. He then went back to Kirksville State Teacher's College and finished his work, earning a degree in business education with a minor in German. Volmert eventually received a master's degree in business education.

Volmert said he has many memories about Southern and his career, but is not sure what he will do when he retires this spring.

"I'll probably make a little wine," he said. "I'm sure that something will fall into place. I just figure 41 years of this racket is long enough."



Milton W. Brietzke, director of theatre, plans to retire in May.

Brietzke plans to retire at end of spring semester

By Rob Smith
Campus Editor

After being involved in over 150 plays in his life, Milton Brietzke will retire at the end of the spring semester.

Brietzke, director of the theatre at the College, has been involved in theatre in one way or another since he was 16.

"The first show I ever directed was very disappointing," he said. "The weather was terrible the first night, and continued to get worse as the last show got closer. There were only about 60 people who showed up for the shows."

Brietzke has seen the College grow from 425 students to its present enrollment of 4,810.

"The biggest thing that has happened in the time I've been here is the growth,"

he said. "When I came in 1956, it was a junior college at Fourth and Byers."

Brietzke, who came to Joplin from San Francisco, recalls the uniqueness of his being hired.

"I was hired over the telephone," he said. "I am the only person that Mr. (Roi) Wood (superintendent of schools) ever hired by long distance. He was impressed by a letter I had written recommending another man two years earlier."

The first theatre Brietzke worked in while in Joplin was an old gymnasium. The gym had a small stage at the end, but Brietzke decided not to use it and experimented with "theatre in the round." His only lighting was a broken spotlight, and those lights he created himself.

"We worked with a lot of imagination and very little money," he said.

Brietzke spent many of his summers

traveling to work in theatres across the country. He spent summers in Camden, Maine; Plymouth, Mass.; Idaho Springs, Colo.; and Auburn, Ala.

"After the summer in Camden, I went to New York looking for acting work," he said. "I shared an apartment with a friend and lived on hot dogs and orange juice."

Brietzke also taught theatre at Auburn University. His first play there was *You Touch Me*.

"I ended up casting my future wife (Trij) in a leading role," he said.

Brietzke "earned a living at a popular bistro" when he moved to Denver in 1951. From there, he went to San Francisco where he worked as a statistician for the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

While Brietzke has spent much of his time acting, directing, and teaching, he has spent some time designing and plan-

ning theatres.

"Mr. (Duane) Hunt and I designed the Barn Theatre at Missouri Southern," Brietzke said. "We operated in the Barn for nine years. We did over 40 shows down there."

He also helped with many of the Taylor Auditorium designs.

Brietzke said he has enjoyed his involvement in the College and in the theatre.

"Teaching has always been a pleasure and a thrill," he said. "After I retire, I hope we'll be able to hit many of the professional residential theatres throughout the United States. I also hope to see more of my grandchildren."

"It has been an exciting career here. I intend for our new life to be equally. We still have many good years ahead of us."

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the requests did not seem to reflect the priorities of the plan."

The SMSU plan cites four disciplines as strategic target areas. These are areas the institution hopes to get into its main thrust. The areas are: agriculture, business, communications, and education.

However, when the CBHE asked what specific actions had been taken to push these disciplines into the major focus, the response by SMSU suggested only business was actually receiving sufficient funding to better itself. The others were receiving funds simply to alleviate weaknesses.

During the time of the writing, and also since the submission of the plan, the CBHE received proposals from SMSU for seven new programs. According to the CBHE, only one is clearly in a strategic target area (education), and another is perhaps related to education.

The seven new proposals are as follows: bachelor of science in nursing; bachelor of science in dietetics; bachelor of science in fitness specialists; bachelor of science in biomedical sciences; bachelor of science in paralegal; master of arts in religious studies; and master of science in health, physical education, and recreation.

The initial recommendation handed down by the Board was to "not accept the plan until the Board of Regents have developed a clear statement of the future direction of the University consistent with new program development."

The CBHE did approve the plan; however, but under the stipulation SMSU looks at its plan again and decide in which direction it is going.

The reason for approval is that all 13 institutional plans must be approved in order for funds to be appropriated. If SMSU's plan had not been accepted, none of the remaining 12 institutions would have received funds for their targeted areas.

Southern's targeted area is its Outcomes Program. The Board appropriated \$134,500 to the College for its implementation.

The new degree programs at SMSU have been placed on hold until the institution has reviewed its plan.

In order to help straighten out the plan, the possibility of hiring an outside consulting firm is being explored.

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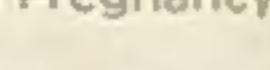
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Vandalism hurts every student

Vandalism at Missouri Southern has been a rare occurrence in the past. Unfortunately, several incidents have taken place this semester, each one increasingly serious.

The most recent incident, involving three buildings on campus, resulted in damage and loss which will affect every student.

There will not be a change machine in the Lions' Den. Replacement video machines may be old machines that don't work as well. But one of the most damaging effects could be the loss of income to student services if the machines are not replaced at all.

Since that office does not receive any state funds, it must be self-supporting. A percentage of the profit from the machines on campus helps to support many services to students. Continued vandalism and loss of income could affect the amount and variety of those services.

Aside from monetary concerns, the vandalism affects the sense of well-being and security students and employees have enjoyed on this campus. An employee or student could have been hurt by interrupting a burglar. Vandalism cannot be tolerated here. One rotten apple cannot be allowed to spoil the whole barrel.

Steps are being taken to make campus buildings more secure. The burglar is expected to be apprehended soon.

Parents should have a choice

For centuries women have borne their offspring at home without medical assistance, just as women would like to do now with the help of a midwife.

Midwifery is when someone other than a licensed physician is present at childbirth, usually in the privacy of the family's home.

As stated in VAMS, revised Missouri statutes, "It is unlawful for any person licensed as a midwife only to engage in any other branch of medical practice or to advertise herself as doctor, doctress or physician..." This says women licensed for midwifery are allowed to assist at birth but are limited to just that medical practice.

According to the book Constitutional Law, "...in terms of due process and equal protection the 'right to privacy' has come to mean a right to engage in certain highly personal activities...rights of freedom of choice in marital, sexual, and reproductive matters."

Hospitals spend thousands of dollars to create a warm, family atmosphere for childbirth. At the same time the government hinders the choice of homebirth by saying it is looking out for the welfare of the people. It infers that midwifery is illegal and possibly damaging to the health of the mother and baby.

Parents' should be able to choose the place of birth and not be limited by laws.



Letters to the Editor:

To The Editor,

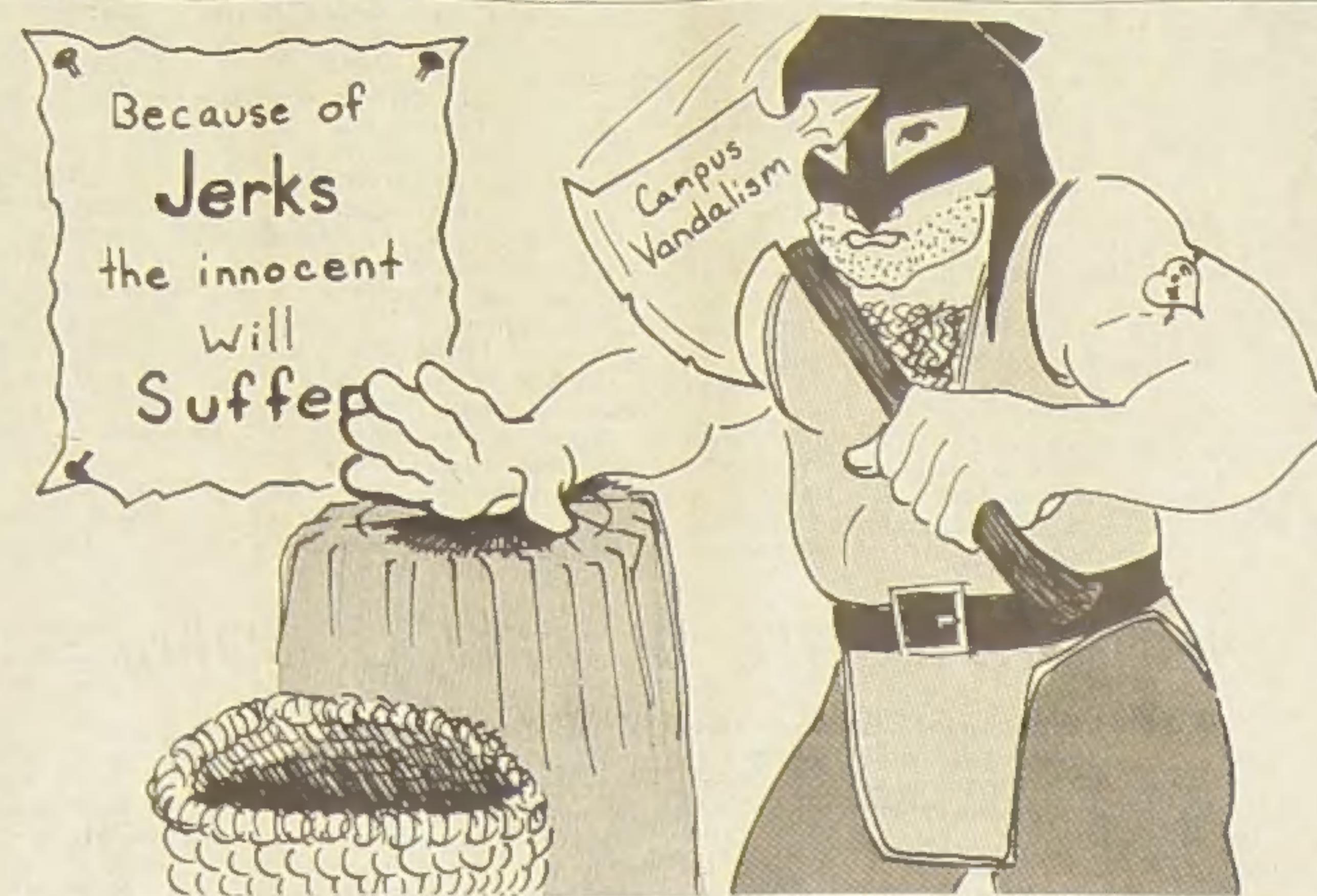
I totally agree with the article on mental patients being released without court proceedings. I was amazed to learn that someone who brutally stabbed someone could be set free from a mental hospital without going through the judicial system. I hope that Jasper County Prosecutor William Fleischaker will continue to pursue this matter.

Sincerely,
Mary Brumfield

Letters to the Editor:

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearnes Hall Room 117 by noon Friday for publication in the next week's edition. Letters must be typed and signed, and should not contain more than 500 words.

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Editor's Column:

Student activists should aid Spiva Library

By Mark Ernstmann
Executive Manager

In an article I wrote a few weeks back, I mentioned the feasibility of a support group being formed for the Spiva Library. In an interview with Dr. Jim Jackson, professor of biology, he mentioned the need for "student activists to rat-tie some slats" and round up support for their library.

Student activists on this campus? Surely you jest?

But, Jackson is right. Due to major budget cuts, the library is operating with a budget of only \$200,000, compared to \$324,000 last year. According to Charles Kemp, head librarian, this year's money must be spent on "standing commitments," including books that have already been ordered, binding costs, microfilms, and periodicals.

This leaves no funding for the purchase of anything new or different for the library. Departmental allocations, money to departments for pur-



chase of material in that field, are non-existent this year.

With the upcoming North Central Association visit, Kemp is concerned this will reflect negatively on the library, and affect funding in future years.

A "Friends of the Library" group is in the planning stages, but it will take more than community support to better the circumstances.

The way I see it (Where have I heard that before?), the main function of the library is to provide a service for students. We are the ones who use it, and there is no reason why we cannot attempt to help.

There is some evidence of "campus activists" here at Southern.

The Golden Crest Society, an honorary leadership fraternity, has decided to allocate some of its funds to the purchase of two new periodicals for the library. Representatives of the group went to the library with this intent, and asked what was the number one priority. Periodicals were at the top of the list, so the group decided to support the cause.

Two magazines, *The Dickens Quarterly* and *The Dickensian* will now be added to the periodical list due to the contribution.

The contribution did not break the club, either. It was a mere \$20. Twenty dollars for a subscrip-

tion to a magazine that otherwise would not be available to students.

Just think, if every group on campus would donate just \$20, several new additions to the library would be possible.

This is not wasted money, either. We are the ones who will be benefiting from the new materials.

If the trend continues, our library could be in some trouble. Perhaps there is an alternative route to be taken.

Each year, a \$20 activity fee is assessed from each full-time student. Of that \$20, \$15 goes to the Campus Activities Board (which splits it 80-20 with Student Senate), and \$5 goes to the College yearbook, *Crossroads*.

That's fine, but how about some of that money going to the library. Even a small percentage would create a little extra spending money for it.

A community support group is a good idea, but the College must be careful not to burden the community with too many monetary matters.

A strong legion of campus activists would take some of the load off the community. The Golden Crest has taken the first step. Now it is time for others to follow in its footsteps.

In Perspective:

By Martin C. Oetting
Editor-in-Chief, The Chart (1985-86)

Missouri Southern has reason to be proud of its communications department. For the first time in *Chart* history the College newspaper has won a Regional Pacemaker Award, making it one of the 13 best in the United States.



Serving as editor-in-chief last year, I find it difficult to be proud alone. The entire staff worked long, hard hours to produce the newspaper. We traveled across the state.

We attended countless meetings, loaded lots of film into cameras, and spent many hours rattling the typewriter keys in the office.

The pungent smell of rubber cement is nothing foreign to us on Wednesday evenings. And we learned to survive with little sleep or study time. We did it all for the love of our newspaper.

But these are all tangible, material things. They play an important part in the newspaper. But they are meaningless without another tool we all were equipped with that brought it all together: our minds.

They say college is a learning experience, and a growing experience. The mind goes through a maturing process during four years of higher education, and in many respects that is why the college is here in the first place. We could not have won the Pacemaker with photographs alone, or

with stories alone. Our minds won us the Pacemaker. That brings me to my next point.

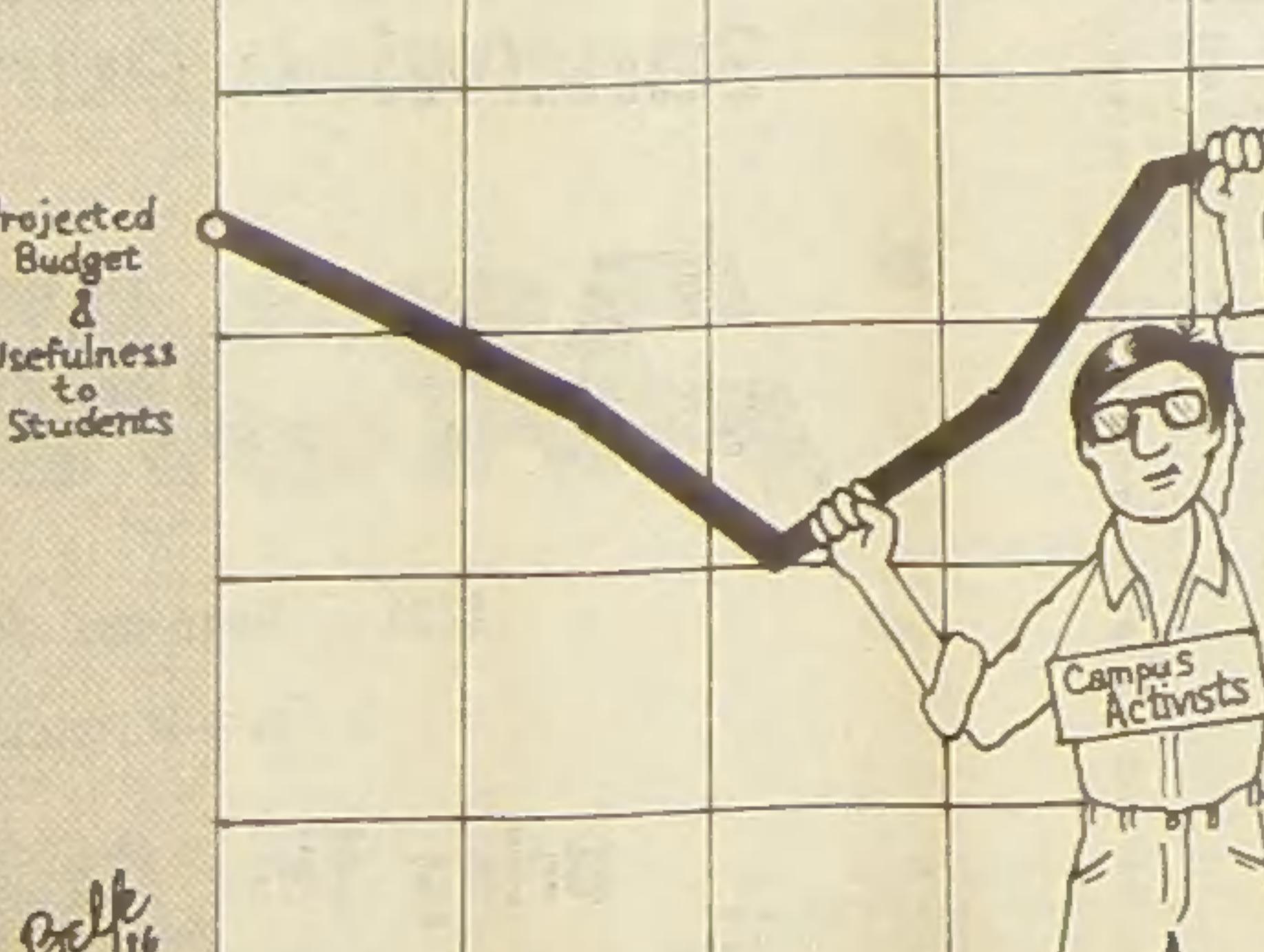
Missouri Southern should be proud of the faculty here. Our success is due to the administration, who set up our programs and ran our college. The success is due to the taxpayers who made it all possible financially. And our instructors made it clear, Journalism classrooms are often hotbeds for humbling experiences. I spent many humbling moments learning the order of time before date before place.

Students also have reason to be proud. They provided the story ideas. They did the Indian dances, organized relief efforts for stranded in Mexico, reenacted the Civil War, and tried to overthrow

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Life New life intrigues mother Brenda Venturella. However, daughter Paige appears less interested.

Freeman expands obstetrics program

Freeman Hospital of Joplin has expanded its obstetrics program, while other hospitals have discontinued their programs.

Freeman's expansion has been in the making for several years with a new campaign program launched at the beginning of the year. The program features services which make it the number one hospital for obstetrics care in the immediate tri-state area.

"The area was growing so fast that the realization of better services were needed in obstetrics," said Kay Breinig, vice president for patient care services at Freeman. "The two hospitals agreed, and renovation of the labor area started."

The loss of a major hospital delivering babies, such as St. John's Regional Medical Center in Joplin, gave Freeman the chance to make obstetrics a specialty. The Freeman nursery is now rated a "level two" which allows it to adequately treat pre-mature babies. A "level one" can handle only normal newborns. The highest ranking nursery, a "level three," is mainly distinguished by helicopter services for emergency cases.

More important than upgrading the obstetrics department with new equipment is the education and experience the staff of Freeman has in pre-natal care.

"We do such a large amount of obstetrical nursing," said Breinig, "that a new nurse has six months to a year experience before being able to take charge and be on their own."

The nursing divisions of labor/delivery, nursery, and obstetrics handled 1,743 births in 1985—which ranks Freeman within the top 10 hospitals in Missouri. Carol Redmon, nurse manager of the birthing center, cited her staff as a major advantage for patients choosing Freeman.

"Most important," Redmon said, "our staff has advanced education for working in a 'level two' nursery."

Having advanced care within the hospital, Freeman's new campaign for obstetrics features its versatile methods for having a child.

Once Freeman is chosen, it becomes a family affair. A wide assortment of brochures and information is presented with all of the optional and recommended services highlighted. It is designed to get the entire family involved.

"Early Bird" classes provide instruction in biological changes in pregnancy, techniques leading to a healthy pregnancy and uncomplicated delivery, financial challenges and concerns, and discussion of the options offered for birthing plans.

Pre-natal classes are designed for the actual preparation of giving birth. The expectant mother, along with her coach, are instructed in techniques in comfort and limbering for during the pregnancy, and muscular control, relaxation, and rhythmic breathing for the actual delivery. The coach plays a significant part in this area. The coach will be in the delivery room with the mother throughout labor.

The expectant mother chooses her coach, who is usually the husband. If the husband isn't the coach, he can still be present in the delivery room with the consent of the physician.

There are two standard labor rooms at Freeman, along with three birthing rooms which are becoming more popular because of the natural home atmosphere promoted. There are also two delivery/caesarean section rooms and a high risk room in adequately care for a baby or mother experiencing difficulties.

Once born, the baby is cared for in a nursery capable of handling 28 normal babies with all the equipment necessary for eight infants of the level two high risk.

After the mother's recovery, post-partum care is available in 16 semi-private units or eight private birthing apartments.

The birthing apartment allows the

Homebirth offers alternative

Although hospital technology was not present, homebirth was a safe and enlightening experience for the Jim Marcum family.

Having already been through the birth of their first child (James, now age 3), Jim and Melissa Marcum were interested in alternatives to having their second child away from the impersonal hospital atmosphere.

Melissa, a member of LeLeche League, a nationwide breast-feeding group, found out about the midwife program (homebirth) through another member who had her baby in the privacy of her own home.

"My husband and I attended a 'Families for Missouri Midwives' meeting in Monett to get more information," said Melissa. "This is where we met Diane Barnes, a midwife and RN. From there we set up appointments with her in Wentworth, Mo., where she lives. We saw her every three weeks throughout the pregnancy."

"I didn't see her a doctor," she added. "She did all my checkups, glucose tests, checked the position of the baby, and weighed me. She really got to know your body so she can tell what is natural and what isn't."

Barnes' loving care during the pregnancy of both the baby and the mother was far more personal than their hospital experience, according to Jim.

"I think most impressive to me was the prenatal care we got from Diane," he said. "She was very thorough about everything. We felt very sure, and being away from the hospital didn't cause any fears."

While the hospital seemed the obvious place to have the baby, the Marcums had many reasons for not wanting to have their baby there.

Not agreeing with certain unnecessary procedures performed by the doctors was just one factor that Melissa said changed her view on homebirths.

"I didn't want to have my first baby at home," she said. "I didn't know how my body would react. But I was very relaxed at home."

"I never regretted staying home. I wondered if I would change my mind at the last minute. But Diane was very loving and supportive. I could see she knew what she was doing, and she helped me out a lot."

Important to the Marcums was the choice of who could attend the birth.

"We could have whoever we wanted to be there," said Melissa. "My family and friends were all there."

"My dad wasn't going to stay in the room, but he did, and he felt a part of it."

"My mom was afraid that she wouldn't feel comfortable because she had a difficult delivery with me. She didn't know how she would feel about seeing her own child in pain. But she got the chance to see that not all childbirth is a bad experience."

"My son, James, watched, and he never got upset. He was very happy," said Melissa. "He reached out to touch him and I love him. James got to hold Jeremiah when he was just an hour old."

"And I never had to worry about my

baby being taken away from me to be put in a nursery alone and afraid."

Learning of the germs the baby could contract in the hospital was just another factor that convinced them to stay home.

"At home the baby would be immune to the germs surrounding him because I had been subject to them throughout the pregnancy," Melissa said.

The birth of their newborn son created

a loving atmosphere in their home.

"Having the child in the home made us more relaxed. It brought us closer," said Melissa. "It made us much more aware of our responsibility to prepare for the birth."

Confronted by negative feelings of physicians in this area was a drawback when the Marcums looked for care after the delivery.

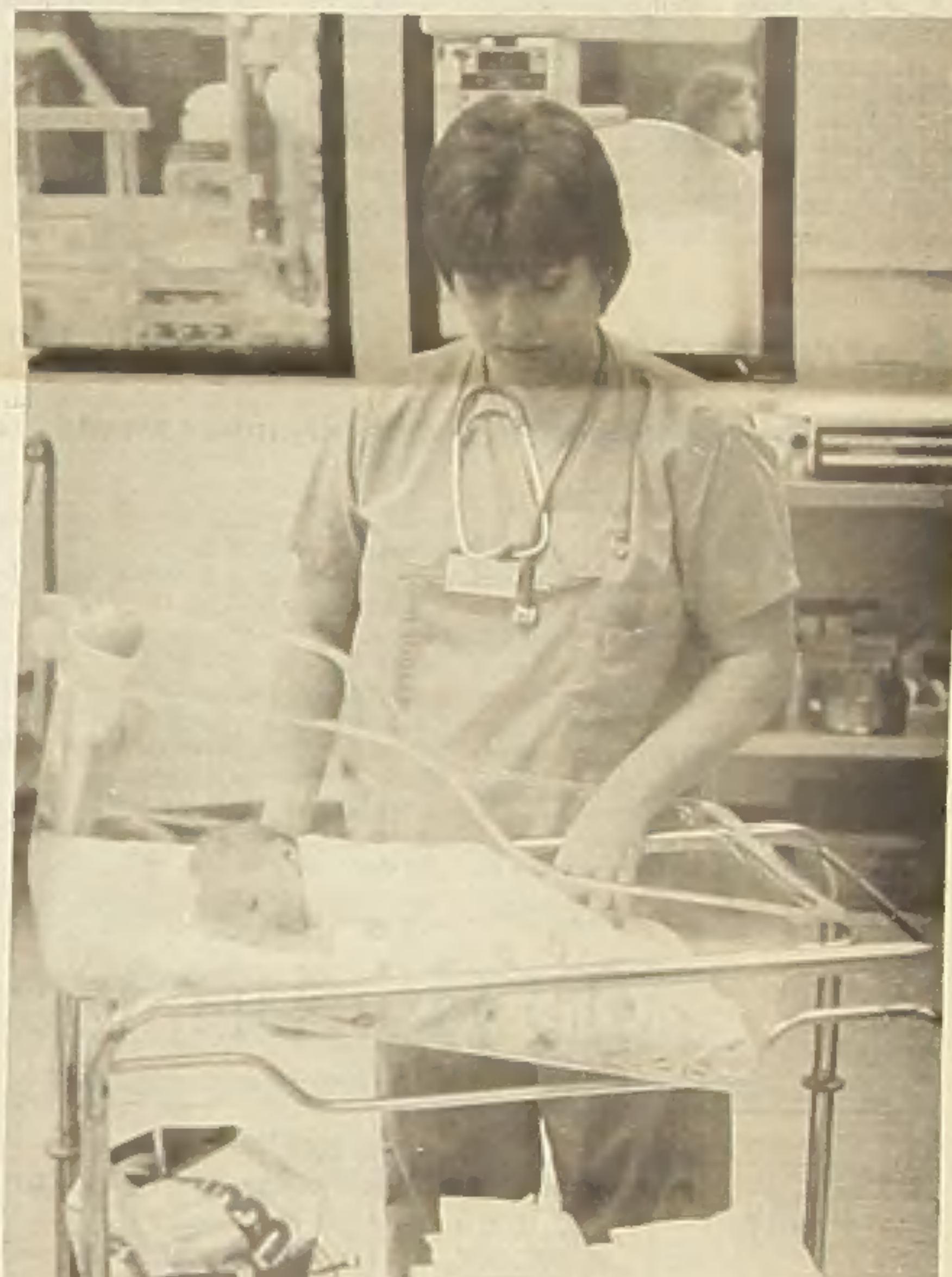
"Doctors had a very negative attitude," said Melissa. "They are very unwilling to cooperate with anyone else who may be taking away their business."

"I couldn't find anyone to circumcise Jeremiah if they had not delivered him themselves," she said. "I don't feel like they have the consumers' best interests in mind."

Although the Marcums chose homebirth as an alternative to the hospital, they say it is not right for everyone.

Midwives must be careful about high risk mothers. For women with heart trouble, diabetes, or who are having twins, homebirth is not advised.

"You may be a little anxious, but I still think it is safe," said Melissa. "I think it is up to you!"



Experience

Marla Stephens, a staff member of the Freeman Hospital Nursery, watches over a new arrival. Experience and birthing options have made the Freeman obstetrics department the largest in the area.

Prenatal clinic motivates midwife program

'Every birth witnessed is a miracle of God's creation,' says midwife

Opening of a women's care clinic to make prenatal care for homebirth available motivates the midwife program to move forward.

"Personally, for myself, every birth witnessed is a miracle of God's creation," said Diane Barnes, a 1984 graduate of Missouri Southern and registered nurse midwife.

Women Care Inc., "Stork's Nest," will open Dec. 1 in Monett. The clinic will offer such services as pre-natal education, nutritional education, exercise classes, and parenting classes. A physician will be in attendance twice a month, and prenatal clinics will be supervised by midwives.

"It will be a very controversial issue when it opens because it is a midwives' program, and physicians don't like the competition," said Barnes. "We are facing them head-on. We are taking President Reagan's advice and creating a community action self-help group. We saw the problem. We are developing a solution. And we are acting on it. From the Boy Scouts to the community leaders, we have received help concerning the center."

"Internal motivation for the clinic is wanting to deliver at home," said Barnes, "and externally we want to help the women who are asking for help. Physicians are turning away women on Medicaid."

Legislature questions the legality of homebirths by midwives. But their reasons for judgement are contradicted by the levels of right and wrong due to social affiliation and qualification. For instance, while the RN midwife is legal because of her qualifications, and the religious midwives are legal because of the government's concern of mixing religion and politics, the lay midwives are illegal if they charge for their services. Although the

three are offering the same services, the government has its boundaries.

"Religious midwives only deliver within their own religion," said Barnes. "The RN won't mix religion and politics. It is a woman's constitutional right to deliver where she wants to and with whom she chooses."

"We would be happy to welcome any physicians that want to help us," she added. "We aren't saying physicians aren't good or necessary. But they are admitting that they are overworked. We also need lay midwives."

In Missouri alone, there are over 100 RN midwives and about 200 lay midwives.



Newborn

Molly Mae enjoys spending time with her mother Penny Farren. The baby was born at Freeman Hospital.

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Around campus

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Society encourages submittal of writings for magazine

By Rob Smith
Campus Editor

Although Sigma Tau Delta has only been on campus since 1979, the group has many plans for the remainder of the school year.

Sigma Tau Delta is a national English honorary society. Nationally, the group has had over 40,000 members since it was founded over 60 years ago.

"The purpose of the group is to encourage the writing of and appreciation of literature," said Dr. Doris Walters, assistant professor of English and group sponsor.

Walters, who is in her first year as the group's adviser, has several plans for the group. One of her goals is for Missouri Southern students to begin submitting writings to the group's literary magazine,

The Rectangle

"I am making a concerted effort to get them to submit this year," Walters said. "I hope some of the members can get some of their poems and stories published."

The magazine offers \$200 prizes to those members who enter the best poem, short story, and critical essay. There is also a \$1,000 prize given to the best overall piece of writing. Three \$1,000 scholarships are also offered to the group's members. Those who try for the scholarships must be nominated by their college chapter.

"When people apply for the scholarships they have to write an essay on a stated topic," Walters said. "Last year's topic was 'Has America entered the post-literate age?'"

The name Sigma Tau Delta originates

from the first letters of the group's motto. "The motto is Sincerity, Truth, and Design," said Walters.

Before a student can be initiated into Sigma Tau Delta, he or she must meet six requirements. Students must:

- Have completed three semesters of college.
- Have completed at least two semesters of literature courses and have completed the two composition courses.
- Have a "B" average or better in English.
- Have an overall GPA that ranks them in the highest 35 per cent of their class.
- Be either a major or a minor in English.
- Have three-fourths of the members approve their entrance into the group.

"This particular year there are 14 members," Walters said, "but we are planning to initiate some others."

"There are graduate members in the

group. The sponsor is automatically a member, but other faculty can become members."

In the past, the group has sponsored a religious writing seminar. In one of the first meetings this year, Dr. Mary Butler did a poetry reading for the group. Butler, a new faculty member, is a published poet.

Sigma Tau Delta members also try to attend the group's national convention.

"There is a national convention on even numbered years," Walters said. "There are regional conventions in odd numbered years."

"The purpose of the convention is for fellowship and to stimulate ideas."

Members of Sigma Tau Delta have attended two national conventions. They attended one held in St. Joseph in 1980 and another in St. Louis in 1984. Next year's

convention will be held in Orlando, Fla.

"We've only been able to go to the national convention if it is close," Walters said. "In 1980, we heard Frank Herbert speak. He is the author of the book *Dune*."

Walters said many of the members are also members of the English Club.

The chapter still has many of its biggest projects ahead of it.

"The big fund-raiser is the book sale," Walters said. "We usually raise a couple hundred dollars."

"We are just in the process now of putting together our plans for the rest of the year."

Walters said the group still needs to elect some more officers. Currently, the officers are Nancy Alexander, president, and Susan Stone, vice president.

Club plans to host guest speakers

Social Science Club wants 'Did You Know?' to be a monthly event

By Kathy Goodwin
Staff Writer

Designing a series to inform students of things around them, the Social Science Club is presenting "Did You Know?"

"It was a plan the students in the Social Sciences Club had for allowing everyone in the department to have the opportunity to share information, such as interesting projects they are doing or trips they are taking," said Dr. Paul Teverow, assistant professor of history and group adviser.

The purpose of the project is to promote interaction among different departments of campus.

Last Thursday Dr. Allen Merriam, associate professor of communications, spoke to a group of students about his trip to Hungary. Merriam spoke on the history of Hungary, its government, and relations to the Soviet Union and the United States. He showed slides that were of particular interest to the social sciences students, but according to Teverow, the speakers are all designed to appeal to everyone.

"We believe they (the speakers) have something to say of general interest," said

Teverow.

The next speakers will be a group from the psychology department discussing a research project they did.

"We are trying to schedule the speakers at different times in the day so we can reach everyone," said Teverow. "We hope we can continue it on a regular basis next semester."

Teverow is hoping the group can encourage students from other clubs and departments to attend the speeches.

He is also wanting to make the series a monthly event.

Entrepreneur will speak to club today

Business, computer science organization to hold \$100 cash give-a-way

By Susan Hines
Chart Reporter

Dr. Bill Cage will be the guest speaker at the Phi Beta Lambda meeting held at 7 p.m. today in the Billingsly Student Center, room 314.

Cage, the entrepreneur who started Joplin Computer Systems in June 1985, will be speaking about the formation and general operation of his business.

Cage will also discuss his experience at

Tamko where he served as corporate director of personnel and also as Tamko's corporate economist for seven years. He will inform the students about corporate life and what skills are needed to be employable.

Before entering the business world, Cage taught at Carlisle College in Pennsylvania, Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C., and Drury College in Springfield. He earned a bachelor of arts degree from Rockford College in Rockford, Ill., and a Ph.D. from the

University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

Phi Beta Lambda welcomes all business and computer majors to today's meeting.

PBL is also selling tickets for a \$100 cash give-a-way. The cost of a ticket is \$1. The tickets are being sold by all Phi Beta Lambda members. The drawing will be held Nov. 13.

Faculty advisers to the organization are Dr. Beverly Culwell, assistant professor of business; and Lynne Rusley, assistant professor of business.

Upcoming Events

Today	English Club 12:15 p.m. BSC 306	Job Interview F.W. Woolworth Roger Boe manager trainee positions	Newman Club 5 p.m. BSC 311	PBL Dr. Bill Cage 7 p.m. BSC 314
Tomorrow	Clubs	Christian Science Organization 4 p.m. BSC 311		
Weekend		Football vs. Wayne State College 1:30 p.m. here		
Monday	Special Events	Honors Colloquium 2 p.m. BSC 311	Sigma Nu 5:30 p.m. BSC 306	Omicron Delta Epsilon Banquet 7 p.m. Western Sizzlin
Tuesday	 EMPLOYMENT	Job Interview Missouri State Auditor's entry level audit position	Air Pollution Press Conference 2 p.m. BSC 314	Koinonia 7 p.m. College Heights Christian Church
Wednesday	Campus Crusade for Christ noon BSC 306	LDSSA noon BSC 311	International Club 2:15 p.m. BSC 313	Student Senate 5:30 p.m. BSC 310



Parade

Aaron Tedlock (left) and Joshua Anderson were part of a Halloween parade that took place last Friday. The children walked through the Billingsly Student Center, Hearnes Hall, and the Spiva Art Center while they sang songs. The youths are from the Missouri Southern day-care center. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

Attention Clubs & Organizations: Don't be left out!

Yearbook group pictures
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Football

Varsity Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

11/8 WAYNE STATE 1:30

1986 Results

SW Oklahoma 17,

Missouri Southern 14

Arkansas Tech 42,

Missouri Southern 7

Washburn Univ. 25,

Missouri Southern 7

Pittsburg State 48,

Missouri Southern 7

Emporia State 11,

Missouri Southern 0

Kearney State 7,

Missouri Southern 3

Missouri Western 13,

Missouri Southern 7

Missouri Southern 3,

Fort Hays State 0

Offensive Leaders

Greg Dageforde has

688 yards rushing on

200 carries, a 3.4 yard

average. Ray Hamilton

has completed 39 of

111 passes for 357

yards. He has 11

interceptions and one

touchdown pass.

Wade Williams has 14

receptions for 159

yards. Dageforde has

nine receptions for 82

yards.

Defensive Leaders

Tops in Tackles: Don

Stone (111), Greg

Stonebarger (66), Zeke

Wintjen (54), Lloyd

Vaughn (54), Danny

Massey (50), Randy

Darby (47), Trey

Moeller (40), Mike

Wilson (39), Troy

Ketchum (37),

Raymond Ratliff (27).

HOME GUEST

Scoreboard

CSIC Standings:

(Football)

Pittsburg State 6-0

Kearney State 5-1

Emporia State 4-2

Washburn 4-2

Fort Hays State 2-4

Missouri Western 2-4

Missouri Southern 1-5

Wayne State 0-6

Rushing Leaders:

(Carries-Yards-TDs)

Monte Weathers, PSU

103-1,011-9.8

David Tryon, Emporia

145-1,021-7.0

Greg Dageforde, MSSC

200-688-3.4

Bruce Stancell, PSU

124-684-5.5

Gene Stegeman, PSU

142-643-4.5

Basketball

Men's Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

11/11 S. of Ozarks 7:30

11/14 NE St. Classic TBA

11/15 NE St. Classic TBA

11/20 ROCKHURST 7:30

11/24 Arkansas Tech 7:00

Lions to close out football season Saturday

Last weekend, for the first time in his college coaching career, Rod Giesselman woke up on a Sunday morning with a win under his belt.

"It was a really nice day," said Giesselman. "The lows are low, but the highs are high, and Sunday was a beautiful day. Monday was nice, too, but then you wake up to the reality of another game on Saturday."

That game on Saturday with Central States Intercollegiate Conference foe Wayne State will close out the 1986 season for Southern. Kick-off is set for 1:30 p.m. in Fred G. Hughes Stadium.

"This is the seniors' last game," Giesselman. "We're definitely going to rally around them. We're not just trying to get the team over with."

Southern moved ahead of the Wildcats in the CSIC standings

with its win last weekend against Fort Hays State. Southern's overall record now stands at 1-7, while its conference record improved to 1-5. Wayne is winless in its six conference games, but has a 2-7 overall record. The Wildcats lost to Emporia (Kan.) State University for their sixth straight loss.

Southern and Wayne will be meeting for the 12th time since 1968, and the ninth year straight. Southern holds a 7-3-1 advantage, and has won six of the last seven contests.

Last year, the Lions dropped a 27-17 decision in Wayne, Neb., as temperatures loomed in the mid-20's, and the wind chill dipped down to five degrees below zero.

Wide receiver Wade Williams is again listed as questionable for this weekend due to a neck injury, as tailback Shell Henry with an ankle problem.

"Wade should get the clearance to play this week," Giesselman said. "Shell's still a big question mark."

Defensive end Lloyd Vaughn is having shoulder problems, but is expected to play.

"It's going to be a battle," said Giesselman. "I know Coach Chapman will have his team ready to play on Saturday."

"Anytime you lose the last game, it leaves a bad taste in your mouth for the rest of the year. We're definitely shooting for that win. It'll have a good effect on the attitude of our players and personnel to end this season on an upbeat note."

Freezing rain shut down the Fort Hays State aerial assault last weekend, and the Tigers' ground game proved to be too weak for the Southern defense.

"I don't think the weather was

everything," said Giesselman, "but it was a big factor."

The Lions shut out the Tigers, allowing just 82 net yards on the day. David Thaman's third quarter field goal from 35 yards provided the only points of the game.

Southern's Greg Dageforde carried the ball 23 times in the first half, and another 20 times in the second half as he rushed for 148 yards. The 43 carries is a Southern record, surpassing the mark of 34 Ron Harris set in 1979.

Fort Hays quarterback Jeff Miller, who had averaged 290 yards passing throughout the Tigers' first eight games, was held to just 108 on Saturday. The Tigers' second string quarterback, Randy Fayette, who was held to just nine yards, had been averaging over 104 yards per game.

Southern's Don Stone led the Lions defense with seven tackles,

while Troy Moeller had six. Vaughn had five tackles on the day, broke up two passes, and recovered a fumble.

Danny Massey picked off two Fort Hays passes, both in the second half. His first came early in the game at mid-field. He was brought down as he picked off the ball. The second Massey interception came in the third quarter at the Fort Hays 44-yard line. After Massey stepped in front of the pass, he ran the 25 yards to the 19, which set up Thaman's field goal four plays later.

Mike Wilson picked off another Fort Hays pass just before the close of the first half, and was also brought down on the play.

"They had a tough time with their passing game," said Giesselman, "but the key to the ballgame was the turnover ratio."



Gail Gilmore

The way I see it:

New standards are the solution to the problem

By Shaun LePage
Sports Editor

Believe it or not, Missouri Southern State College just may be the toughest NAIA college for an athlete to enter.

On Oct. 24, the Southern Board of Regents adopted a new admissions policy which will do away with the long-

standing open-door policy that has allowed any athlete to walk onto the Southern playing field in the past. The policy, which became known as Proposition 48 before NCAA Division I schools adopted it last year, basically requires high school athletes to start studying.

This new policy requires a prospective freshman athlete to have a minimum composite score of 15 on the American College Testing (ACT) test, and a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 from high school.

If the prospective student athlete has a higher grade point average, his ACT score can be lower. If his ACT score is higher, his grade point average can be lower. For instance, if Johnny Baseball only scores a 14 on the ACT, but comes out of high

school with a grade point average between 2.10-2.19, he is still eligible to participate in intercollegiate athletics. If he scores a 13, he can play with a 2.20-2.29 GPA.

The new standards are really not very difficult, but if you stretch your brain cells and try to remember the day you took the ACT, what sticks out in your mind?

I remember it as if it were yesterday...I was more concerned with the basketball game we were going to play that night, the girl in the desk two rows over, and what kind of patterns I could make with all of the little dots.

I still would have easily surpassed these standards, but the point I am trying to make is that I was never aware of the importance of the ACT, and I don't think that high school students in general give a rip about the test.

When I originally heard about this new policy, I was not in favor of it. I don't think a high school GPA or the ACT score is an accurate indication of how intelligent a student is or how well that student will do in college, and if you deny this person the privilege of playing their sport of expertise, the student will probably go to another college or just drop out.

I know of one particular former Southern athlete who would not have been eligible to play her sport had she tried to

enter college under these new standards. However, during her senior year, she earned academic All-America honors. How do we know that when we turn away a freshman athlete because of these new standards, we aren't turning away a potentially successful student who just goofed off in high school? How do we know we aren't turning away an academic All-American?

These are good arguments, but they aren't good enough. As I said, I was opposed to the new standards at first, but I have changed my mind. I think this argument is a cop-out.

Lazy student athletes have forced administrators all over the country to dangle sports in front of them like a carrot in front of a rabbit. If they get by in the classroom, they can go out and play. If more and more student athletes are turned away from institutions of higher education because of their performance in the classroom rather than their performance on the field of play, high school students will begin to place more importance on their high school GPAs, and the ACT, and put more effort into both. In time (between four and six years I'd say), freshmen in general will be coming to college better prepared to learn something.

For too long, our high schools have babysat kids instead of preparing them for college. College freshmen in general are sadly lacking in basic English,

math, and science skills, and the first year of college is not the time to start learning these things. If colleges begin to make things more difficult, then the high schools, junior high schools, and elementary schools will start teaching the very things that they should have been teaching all along.

The point is, I feel that by raising its standards, Missouri Southern is emphasizing the importance of academics rather than athletics, and as other colleges do the same, the lower levels of education will

eventually raise their standards. It is a type of domino effect.

Somehow, in the past 20 or 30 years, the role of athletics on the college campus has been elevated to a level it should never have reached. Sports should complement an institution, not drag it down.

Problems of this magnitude took time to develop and will require time to correct. I think that while other colleges are complaining about the situation, Missouri Southern has done something. I applaud the new standards.

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